IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
ORNAN A. GERSTEL ET AL.		:	Examiner: Agustin Bello
Appln. No.: 09/886,153		;	Art Unit: 2613
Filed:	June 22, 2001	;)	Confirmation No. 5717
For:	SHARED OPTICAL RING PROTECTION IN A MULTI- FIBER RING	; ;)	November 10, 2009
The Cor P. O. Bo	op Amendment nmissioner for Patents ox 1450 Iria, VA 22313-1450		

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

A Request For Continued Examination is filed herewith. Preliminary to continued examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.